THE

SOUTH-CAROLINA GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices, Foreign and Domestick.

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Non quia difficilia, non audimus, sed quia non audemus, difficilia.
Ignaviam, Necessitas, acuit.

Mr. *Timothy*,

AS I think there is now but little Prospect of Peace, and our *old Staple Rice* has already brought the *Planter* not only to a Thread bare Coat but also many in his Family to no Coat at all, and if that Commodity should be still chiefly kept to and depended on, it must inevitably ruin him, and (of Course) the Province also, I take the Liberty to lay before your Readers the following Considerations.

Whether good Policy, and much more Self Preservation (to which it is now come) does not call upon us, by all possible Means to promote and establish some other Staple in the Room of Rice, that can bear the extraordinary additional Charges occasioned by the War better than that bulky Commodity can do; and the more, since the great Demand said to be now for it in *Europe*, and the high Price it sells for there, have so very little or no Effect upon the Price here, and have left us without the Hope of seeing it better during the War? The Affirmative I believe will readily be granted; but, as it is easier to pull down an old House than to build a new one, the Difficulty lies in the *What* and the *How*. As to the first, there have been Three Articles (I think) chiefly talked of, and all three in some Measure tried, *SILK*, *SESSAMUM*, and *INDIGO*; of which three or any Thing else that I have heard of, *Indigo* seems to bid the fairest, and promise the most certain Relief to our once prosperous but now declining Country. This being allowed, the next Thing is, *how* to bring it most effectually to answer that End? Amongst other Ways and Means for this Purpose, I humbly think, that no Time should be lost, no Pains nor Cost spared, in soliciting for a Bounty *at Home*, upon *Indigo* from *Carolina*. This would be so much absolutely gained to the Province; and cost it ever so much (if attended with any Probability of succeeding) should not be begrudged or thought much of: And, at the same Time (as well to prove our own Willingness and Readiness to promote and encourage it ourselves to the utmost of our Power, as to bring the Planter off from his Darling Rice to the Culture of this much more valuable Manufacture) I beg Leave to think, the granting *a Bounty* upon it *Here*, and making it *a Tender* at least in the *General Taxes* and *Duties*, would be of great Advantage and Benefit to the Province in general as well as the Individuals in particular: The Objection to such Bounty here, that it would be a heavy and unequal Burthen is (with Submission) very frivolous, if we consider, that the very Persons who would pay it would likewise receive it, or might do so if they would, a few excepted; and these few are, either the Gentlemen of the three learned Professions; the Officers in the Government, the Traders, or Mechanicks; but they all, it is presumed, can well bear it, for, have not the Clergy their former Stipend? *&c.* Have not the Lawyers, the Physicians, and the Publick Officers their accustomed Fees, and the Mechanicks their usual Prices? So that they suffer no otherwise in the Calamity of the Times, but as they pay the Merchant more than they used to do for what they buy of him, while the Planter not only suffers in common with all these, but besides, has nothing or next to nothing for the Fruits of all his Labour; and as for the Merchant, as he is the only and sole Gainer, in these Days of Calamity and Distress especially, and doubly from the poor *All suffering* Planter, it seems to be highly just and equal that he should refund Part; especially, as even that would be still in his own Way, and like laying out a Penny to get Two Pence back; for since he gets all that the Planter can possibly spare from his other Necessities, the more the latter is enabled to spare, the more of Consequence must the former get; so that none would pay such *a Bounty*, but those who either could well bear it, or those who have it in their Power to be Receivers as well as Payers of it; and if such, from Indolence or Humour, would not be at Pains to entitle themselves to receive at least as much as they are liable to pay, they deserve no Consideration. But here it may possibly be asked, What then would be the Benefit or Advantage of such a Bounty? It would be at best but like taking out of one Hand and putting into the other: I answer, such an Effort of our own to advance the Culture of *Indigo*, in such low distressed Circumstances as we are reduced to, might be urged (in soliciting a Bounty at Home) as an Argument of the extreme Need we stand in of some speedy Help and Relief to keep us from impending Ruin. It would be a just Reward and additional Motive to the industrious Adventurer; and would put every Planter under a Necessity either to make so much *Indigo* as would at least entitle him to receive equal to what he is subject to pay, or to be so much out of Pocket, which I imagine few would choose; and now, how much this alone might be the Means of making more *Indigo*, I leave to the unprejudiced considerate Reader to judge, and shall only say, that I think we may reasonably believe it would be very considerable, and would put Hundreds throughout the Province upon planting *Indigo* that would not otherwise think of it, and thereby insensibly and by Degrees draw them off from ruining themselves, which by planting Rice while the War lasts they must inevitably do, — and every Hand so brought off from Rice and employed on Indigo, would gain as much at least as any Three kept to Rice could do, reckoning Indigo at 17*s* 6 *per lb.* and Rice 20*s per Cent.* For, if an Acre of Ground planted with Indigo will produce (agreeable to *Agricola*'s lowest Calculation published in your Paper) 60 *lb* of that Manufacture fit for the Dyer, while an Acre of Ground planted with Rice will not (at a Medium) yield above 1000 *lb* of cleaned Rice; and if the 60 *lb* of Indigo, which is the Employment of only seven Months, will bring 52 *l.* in *Charlestown*, while the 1000 *lb* of Rice, which is the Business of the whole Year, will not clear 10 *l.* and if a Hand can tend and manufacture *Two Acres* of *Indigo* as easy as *Four Acres* of *Rice*, (which he may at least do) here is one Acre of Indigo at the lowest Calculation, yielding more Profit than Five of Rice at a middle Computation, and one Hand more in 7 Months than two and an half can do in 12; but if we reckon Indigo as well as Rice at a Medium, then we shall have one Acre of Indigo equal to six and an half of Rice; and the Labour of one Hand for only 7 Months, bring more than three and a quarter for the whole Year; and if we carry the Calculation up to highest on both, the Difference will still grow in Favour of Indigo. And now, what can possibly be more to the Emolument and Advantage of a Country, than such a vast Improvement of Agriculture and the Value of its natural Product; but this is not all, the Culture of Indigo would moreover make many Thousand Acres of Land in the more Inland Parts of this Province (naturally adapted for Indigo and otherwise unprofitable) at least of equal Value with the very best and most convenient of our Lands, while at the same Time it would render such Lands as are calculated for Rice only, as well as their Produce, more profitable, in proportion as there would be more Indigo and less Rice made; and as Indigo can bear the Charge of a long Land-Carriage as well as Deer skins, and may be carried on with a great deal of Ease by white People only, without Blacks, which Rice cannot be, it could not but invite Numbers of new Settlers, among

amongſt us, and greatly tend to the peopling and ſtrengthening our Weſtern Frontiers, where the Lands ſuitable for Indigo moſtly lie, and thereby make One's Property within the Province more valuable, by being more ſecure. But ſtill and notwithſtanding all this, the great and difficult Matter is, to perſuade the Planter to the Belief of this and wean him from his Bewitchment to Rice, which he has clung to and hugg'd 'till Draw canſir like it has eaten into his very Vitals. If his own Intereſt and the very Being of his Family are not ſufficient Motives to this, Does it not become the Duty of the *Guardians* of the *Publick*, the *Civil Parents* of the Community, by wholeſome Laws, to lay him under a Neceſſity to be his own Friend, and (as did the great *Peter Alexowitz* his Cuſtom ridden *Ruſſians*) even force him into his own Intereſt? And would not one Law (amongſt others that may be judged neceſſary) *to wit*, the granting *a Bounty here* upon Indigo, in a good Meaſure do this? I humbly conceive it would; and therefore I beg Leave to think, that the taking it off laſt Year was not only far from being a Tenderneſs but was in Reality a great Diſſervice to *Carolina*, as it took away, both, that Encouragement due to the induſtrious, and that Neceſſity the ſlothful and headſtrong would otherwiſe be under, either to plant Indigo or pay for their Neglect; and that the renewing it would anſwer all theſe good Purpoſes, —It might be made ſerviceable to us *at Home* towards obtaining a Bounty there,—It would encreaſe the Number of Indigo Planters, and thereby leſſen the Quantity and of Courſe raiſe the Price of Rice,—It would invite new Setlers amongſt us, and thereby give a Value to Lands now quite uſeleſs, and ſtrengthen our Frontiers — It would be an additional Motive and Reward to the diligent and Pains taking, whilſt it would ſerve as a juſt and deſerved Fine upon the negligent and careleſs, *&c.* *PATRICOLA.*

P.S. As I look upon *Indigo* to promiſe the moſt effectual Relief, and to be a future Source of both Wealth and Strength to *Carolina*, I am glad to find *Agriculter's* Remarks thereon (exhibited in your Gazettes No 666 and 667) ſo well to agree with ſuch a happy Proſpect; but yet, as we are but young Adventurers in this Commodity, and *Agriculter* may (after all the Pains he ſeems to have taken) be miſtaken in ſome Things while others may have entirely eſcaped his Notice, it is hoped, that thoſe whoſe Experiments have gone deeper into the Matter, will communicate to the Publick, for the Good of their Country, their different or further Obſervations, that we may have as compleat Directions and as perfect a Guidance thro' the whole Progreſs of Indigo making, and be as little liable to Diſappointments therein for the future, as poſſible. *Patricola.*

CHARLES-TOWN March 2

The *Prince Charles* Sloop, Capt. *Let Chace*, of and for *Boſton*, from *Jamaica*, having been beat off the Northern Coaſts and loſt all her Sails, is put here to refit.

The Sloop *Wanton*, *John Millet* Maſter, from the *Havanna* for this Port, was loſt a few Days ago at *St Helena*.

CUSTOM HOUSE CHARLES-TOWN,

Entered Inwards

Snow Thiſtle, James Aitkin, from Boſton.
Brigt. Hope, John Evans, from Barbados.
Schooner Speedwell, James Howell, from the *Spaniſh* Coaſt.
Sloop Mary, John Godfrey, from Antigua
Sloop Delight, Nathaniel Lescroft, from Bermuda.

Entred Outwards

Snow Pardoe, Henry Robinſon, for Liverpoole.
Brigt. Hope, John Evans, for Briſtol.
Sloop Huzza, James Barnes, for New-York.

Cleared for Departure.

Ship Parham Pink, Nathaniel Alloway, to Cowes.
Sloop Martha, Samuel Coon, to London

EXPORTED from this Place, from the firſt of *November* laſt, the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province.

Rice, 23,633 Barrels. Pitch, 2216 Tar, 217 Turpentine, 847 Beef & Pork, 3206. Deer Skins, 159 Hogſheads. Corn & Peaſe, 33,161 Buſhels. Tann'd Leather, 3105 Sides.

Market Price this Week, of the following Produce.

New Rice, 15 *ſ.* 0 *per Ct.*	Corn, 8 *ſ.* 0 *d.* per Buſhel.
Indigo, 16 *s.* 0 *d.*	Peaſe, 7 *s.* 6
Pitch, 25 *ſ.* 0 *d.*	Deer Skins, 16 *ſ.* 0 *d. per lb.*
Tar, 20 *l.*	Turp. Oyl, 15 *s. per Gallon.*
Turpentine, 10 *l.*	Ballad Oyl, 15 *s. per Quart.*
Rozin, 10 *l.*	Staves, 15 *l. per* 1000.

Advertiſements.

THE Subſcriber having engaged for *Aſhley-Ferry* (which will come into his Hands on the 26th Inſtant) this publick and timely Notice is given, to all Perſons who (by themſelves or Servants) may paſs or repaſs the ſaid Ferry, that they pay their Ferriage, he being determined to give no Credit, which he hopes no one will take amiſs, as they are ſenſible that there is a great Rent given, and of the Trouble and Diſadvantage that muſt conſequently attend the Booking and collecting of the Ferriage. He will alſo (as ſoon as a Licence can be obtained) keep Publick Houſe, where ſuch as ſhall be pleaſed to favour him with their Company may depend on the beſt Uſage and Entertainment that is in the Power of

Their very humble Servant,
CHARLES LOWNDES.

THIS is to give Notice, that the Subſcriber (now living in *Elliott ſtreet* oppoſite to the Signs of *Joſeph Creighton* and *Patrick Hinds*) has opened a Shop, where Lodgers are taken in, and moſt ſorts of dry Goods, Rum and Sugar, *&c.* ſold at very reaſonable Rates. And, that Perſons in the Country who have any Produce to ſend to Market, may have the ſame ſold (for ready Money) to the beſt Advantage, and on eaſy Terms, addreſſing the ſame to

Their very humble Servant,
JOSEPH CHILD.

A very handſome gilt Chair, and very good pacing Horſes to lett; likewiſe Carting Work (with a good Team of Horſes) done very expeditiouſly and reaſonably: Any Perſon undertaking to follow the ſaid Team, may meet with good Encouragement (next Door to Mr. *Joſeph Skute's*) from

Daniel Thomas.

N. B. Any Perſons in the Country (who can't attend the Market themſelves) conſigning their Wood to me, may depend on my utmoſt Care and Diligence to diſpoſe of the ſame to the beſt Advantage, *gratis*. Any Merchants for the Uſe of their Veſſels, or Inhabitants of the Town, may always be ſupplied with Wood, giving Timely Notice.

A good furniſh'd lodging Room in *King-Street*, to be lett: Enquire of the Printer.

TO BE SOLD to the higheſt Bidder, at publick Vendue, on Tueſday the 10th Inſtant, at the Plantation whereon the Subſcriber now lives, near the *Horſe ſhoe*, all his Houſhold Goods, Cattle, Horſes, Hogs, *&c.* And on the 18th Inſtant, in *Jacksonburgh* at *Ponpon*, all his real Eſtate with all his Slaves, amongſt which are Sawyers, Coopers and Carpenters, and Wenches that can ſpin, waſh, iron and ſew well, for ſuch Credit as the Purchaſers can obtain of my Crediters, who are deſired to attend at the ſeveral Sales, at 10 o'Clock in the Morning of the ſaid Days. *Joſhua Sanders.*

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on Wedneſday the 25th of *March*, at the Houſe of Mr. *John Stanyarne* deceaſed, on *John's Iſland*, a parcel of valuable Slaves, Houſhold Goods, and Plantation Tools, and the Crop of Rice and Corn, being the perſonal Eſtate of the ſaid Deceaſed Credit to be given 'till the firſt of *March* next, giving good Security if required. The Sale to begin at 10 o'Clock in the Forenoon.

Anne Stanyarne, Ex cutrix.

N B. All Perſons that have any Demands on the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring in their Accompts properly atteſted, and thoſe indebted to it, to diſcharge the ſame.

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on Tueſday the 24th Inſtant, at the Plantation of *Joſeph Ruſſel*, late of *Ediſto Iſland*, the perſonal Eſtate of the ſaid Deceaſed, conſiſting of a choice parcel of valuable Slaves, ſome of whom are this Country born, Cattle, Horſes, Hogs, Sheep, Houſhold Goods, and Plantation Tools. All Sums under 50 *l.* to be ready Money, and for all above, one Year's Credit will be given, paying Intereſt and giving ſuch perſonal Security as ſhall be approved of by *Mary Ruſſel*, Adminiſtratrix.

N.B. All Perſons to whom the ſaid Eſtate is indebted, are deſired to bring in their Demands properly atteſted.

TO BE SOLD at publick Vendue, on the 28th Day of *April* next, by the Subſcriber, the Plantation where the Subſcriber now lives, convenient to a good Landing on *Wando River*, containing 560 Acres of Land, whereon is a good new Dwelling Houſe two ſtory high, glaz'd and plaiſter'd, being raiſed 3 Feet from the Ground on a Brick Foundation, and having a good Cellar under proper for a Dairy and many other Conveniencies, a very good Kitchen, Store-houſe and Waſh-houſe, with Brick Chimneys, a good Barn, a new Pounding-houſe and Granary, Corn Houſe, Negro Houſes, and ſeveral other convenient Out houſes, a good Garden new paled in with Rails and Pales ſawed, a fine young bearing Orchard conſiſting of Apples and moſt other common Fruit Trees, a good Rice and Corn Field and Paſture all under good Fences, 20 Acres of good Land well cultivated and ready for planting Indigo, together with a ſet of Indigo Works; there is alſo a large Reſervoir of Water ſufficient to keep a large Rice Field under Water all the Summer, alſo a new Cauſway from the Swamp to the Landing raiſed ſo high as no Tide can obſtruct the carting of Fire Wood, wherewith the Plantation is well ſtored, as alſo abundance of beſt yellow Pine for ſawing and Maſts, and good ſtore of white Oaks for Plank and other Neceſſaries for ſhipping, alſo great Conveniency for Brick Works, there being excellent Clay cloſe to the Landing with Plenty of Wood at Hand for burning, a good Stock of Cattle, working Oxen, Horſes and fine breeding Mares, Sheep and Hogs, a parcel of Negroes moſt of them Sawyers as well as for the Field, Oxen Cart, Chairs and Plantation Tools. Alſo a Tract of exceeding good Land for Rice, Corn and Indigo, containing 800 Acres, on *Lynch's* Lake *Craven* County. The Sale to begin at 11 o'Clock. All Sums under 20 *l.* to be paid ready down, and all above there will be Credit given for One Year, paying Intereſt from the Day of Sale, and giving good Security if required. *William Bruce.*

N.B. All Perſons indebted to me by Bond, Note or Book-Debt, are hereby deſired to diſcharge the ſame before the firſt of *April* next. Any Perſon having a mind to purchaſe the above-ſaid Plantation before the Day of Sale, may treat with me on the Place, where any Perſon may be ſupplied with a good quantity of exceeding good Indigo Seed very reaſonable.

TO BE SOLD (in order to pay my Creditors) at publick Vendue, on Wedneſday the 18th Inſtant, to the higheſt Bidder, at the Subſcriber's Plantation (in the Pariſh of *St Thomas* and *St Dennis*) on *Cooper-River*, the following Particulars, *viz.*

The Plantation whereon I now live, containing 1000 Acres, within 22 Miles of *Charleſtown*, ſituate on *Cooper River* and a Creek called *Wiſkboo* Creek, and is adjoining on Lands of Capt. *James Akin*, the *Hagan* Plantation, Mr *Joſeph Stone* and Mr. *John Bonnist's*, and is well ſtored with Pine Timber, the whole being good for planting either Corn or Rice, having about 70 Acres cleared and well fenced, with two good Orchards, a good Dwelling houſe, a large Barn, and other neceſſary Out houſes.

A Tract of 1300 Acres of Land in *Winyaw*, within five Miles of *George Town*, well ſtored with Timber and Lightwood, having never been pick'd, a great Quantity thereof being planting Land, having a navigable Creek through a great part of the ſame, called *deep Gully* Creek, and within leſs than a Mile of *Sampit* Creek.

And a parcel of valuable Houſe and Plantation Slaves, a ſtock of Cattle and Horſes, *&c.*

Any Perſon minded to purchaſe the ſaid Lands, may (in the mean Time) agree with me. All Sums under 20 *l.* to be Caſh, and all above, on ſuch Credit and Security as may be agreeable to my Creditors. The Sale to begin at 10 o'Clock in the Forenoon. *Thomas Bonny.*

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of *Thomas Stoakes* deceaſed, are deſired to diſcharge the ſame by the 25th Inſtant; and thoſe to whom the ſaid Eſtate is indebted, are likewiſe deſired to bring in their Accompts properly atteſted to *Mary Stoakes*, Adminiſtratrix.

TAKEN up adrift, on Tueſday the 24th of *February* laſt, and carried to *Hillsborough* Landing, a ſmall Canow with an Iron Chain, and branded with CC in the Stern. The Owner may have her again, paying what is uſual on ſuch Occaſions and applying to *Elizabeth Hill.*

A PAIR of very good Sawyers to be lett, by *James Michie.*

STRAY'D from *Charleſtown* Green, about the Middle of *January* laſt, a grey Gelding with a black Mane and Tail, about 14 Hands and an half high, branded on the mounting Shoulder III and a Flower de Luce over it, and on the off Buttock *GN.* Likewiſe a black Gelding about the ſame Height, branded on the mounting Shoulder S. Whoever brings the ſaid Geldings to the Subſcriber in *Charleſtown*, or gives ſuch Intelligence of them that they may be had again, ſhall have 5 *l.* as a Reward, and all reaſonable Charges in bringing them down. *John Harvey.*

February 7th, 1746-7, A ſtray Sorrel Horſe with a bald Face, white Mane and Tail, about 13 Hands high, no Brand perceivable. Any Perſon claiming the ſaid Horſe may apply to *Peter Taylor*, J P.

Council Chamber, February 19th, 1746.

WHEREAS many Perſons have applied for Lots of Land in the Town of *Beaufort* on *Port-Royal-Iſland*, and altho' Warrants to run out the ſame have been made out for a conſiderable Time, yet the ſaid Perſons have not taken the ſaid Warrants out of the Secretary's Office: NOTICE is hereby given, that unleſs the ſaid Warrants are taken out, executed and returned, on or before the firſt Day of *June* enſuing, thoſe Lots will be granted to any other Perſons that ſhall apply for them; and that for the future no Regard will be had to any Warrants made out after the Petitioners ſhall have neglected for the Space of *Three Months* to take out and return the ſame executed. *By Order of his Excellency in Council,*

ALEX GORDAN, *Cl C.*

NOTICE is hereby given to all Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of *Joſiah Baker*, that unleſs they diſcharge their reſpective Debts, or ſettle more to my Satisfaction by the 20th of *March* next, I ſhall be under a Neceſſity of putting their Bonds in Suit without further Notice *Henry Middleton.*

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of Doctor *Joſeph Gaultier* deceaſed, are again requeſted to make Payment, on or before the firſt Day of *June* next, and thoſe who have any Demands on the ſaid Eſtate, are deſired to bring in their Accompts properly atteſted to *John Remington*, who is impowered by the Adminiſtratrix to receive, pay, and ſettle all Demands relating to the ſaid Eſtate, and ſuch who ſhall neglect Payment after the Time above limitted, muſt expect to be ſued without further Notice *Mary Gaultier.*

THESE are to give Notice, that Mr. *John North* has lodged in my Hands ſeveral Bonds, which will be due unto him the 25th Inſtant: It is therefore expected, that they will be reſpectively paid forthwith, otherwiſe they will be put in Suit, by *James Michie.*

LOST, on Saturday the 14th Inſtant, either at Mr. *Thomas Higg's* Houſe in *Charleſtown*, or between it and Mr. *Whitaker's* Plantation, a black Leather Pocket Book, containing a Note of Mr. *Francis Holmes*, for 160 *l.* due to the Eſtate of *Moſes Martin* deceaſed, two other Notes indorſed by Mr. *Iſaac Hayne*, payable towards building a Meeting houſe in *St. Bartholomew's* Pariſh, and ſeveral other Papers, a 5 *l.* and a 3 *l.* Bill, and ſeveral ſmaller ones Whoever finds the ſaid Pocket-Book (with the Papers above mentioned) and brings it to the Printer hereof, ſhall have all the Currency therein as a Reward, *and no Queſtions aſked*

TO BE RUN FOR in the *Ponds Old-Field* near *Dorcheſter*, on the ſecond Thurſday in *March*, a very neat Saddle and Bridle with blue Houſing, Value 30 *l.* a Gold Watch a pair of Silver Spurs, and ſundry other Things of Value, by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding to carry ſuch Weight as ſhall be agreed on in the ſaid Field. Likewiſe a Foot Race for *One Hundred Pounds*; the Mile Courſe the beſt in three Heats. And on the ſecond Thurſday in *April* will be divers Races at the ſame Place.—Good Stabling to be had at *John Burſord's* in *Dorcheſter.*

[*The other Advertiſements are deferred 'till our next.*]